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This Bulletin, issued by the Commonwealth Statistician (Dr. Roland Wilson), shows the monthly factory production in Victoria of certain commodities. For the purpose of the accompanying statistics a "factory" is defined as an industrial establishment in which four or more hands are employed or in which power other than hand is used. Monthly averages for the years 1938-39, 1947-48, 1948-49 and 1949-50 and monthly production for the latest six months (July to December, 1950) are shown.

Many of the items included here are shown in greater detail in other publications of the Bureau.

In future this bulletin will be published as near as possible to the beginning of each month and figures of the production of each of the commodities listed are given up to the latest available month. For each commodity the Authority responsible for the present collection is indicated alongside the title. Figures up to 1948-49 inclusive are taken from the Government Statistician's annual factory returns wherever possible. It should be noted that in some cases annual returns are accepted from factories for periods other than those ending on June 30th each Year.

The scope of the bulletin will be widened from time to time to include new information as it becomes available.

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Commodity	Source	Unit	Monthly Averages				Monthly Production 1950					
			Year				July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
			1938-39	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50						
FUEL:												
Briquettes	G.S.	Tons	33,329	45,436	46,558	48,464.	52,668	54,193	49,497	37,756	13,303	20,108
Black Coal	J.C.B.	"	26,900	13,500	12,900	11,684	14,774	15,422	13,208	7,402	3,710	11,073
Brown Coal	G.S.	"	303,624	534,623	585,044	634,997	708,896	704,410	618,681	563,031	441,695	441,345
HEAT LIGHT & POWER:												
Gas made in Gasworks	G.S.	Mill.Cu.M/FT	594	1,014	1,009	884	1,092	1,049	1,049	1,041	964	875
Total Electricity Generated	"	Mill K.W.H.	102	188	209	226	267	270	245	240	224	211
BUILDING MATERIALS:												
Bricks	M.P.D.	'000	16,437	11,807	12,754	11,543	12,403	13,863	13,044	10,784	13,351	11,452
Fibrous Plaster	M.P.D.	'000 Sq.Yds	273	458	510	450	487	495	468	454	440	277
Tiles - Cement	M.P.D.	'000	252	1,084	1,290	1,539	1,828	1,965	1,770	1,808	1,762	1,243
" - Terra Cotta	M.P.D.	'000	1,145	920	915	943	970	1,081	1,071	1,094	1,168	797
Sawn Native Timber	F.A.	'000 Sup.Ft.	10,016	21,709	23,488	26,173	29,486	30,784	29,228	30,357	29,207	18,564
CHEMICALS and ALLIED PRODUCTS:												
Soap - Household	G.S.	Cwt	16,024	14,689	16,592	(a) 17,432	18,028	15,147	15,343	19,732	18,999	15,809
- Toilet & Hand	G.S.	"	1,489	2,617	3,934	4,647	4,301	5,055	5,460	4,825	4,646	3,695
- Flakes & Chips	G.S.	"	..	1,771	1,940	(b)	3,829	2,781	2,529	3,585	3,012	1,962
- Industrial	G.S.	"	..	2,425	3,008	4,967	..	2,446	1,939	2,248	1,265	912
- Sand	G.S.	"	3,156	1,954	673		..	1,255	908	999	825	673
- Soft	G.S.	"	445	764	486		491	402	670	635	492	588
- Liquid	G.S.	"	..	1,332	1,663		2,099	2,225	2,210	2,010	1,919	1,769
Soap Extracts & Powders	G.S.	"	10,277	18,162	20,746	23,242	27,527	25,313	28,714	25,544	26,433	18,520
Superphosphate	C&A	Tons	39,854	37,464	49,679	51,497	51,659	65,690	42,218	35,718	57,016	30,502
Sulphuric Acid	G.S.	"	16,543	14,801	19,333	19,945	21,514	23,654	15,922	16,764	19,723	15,033
REFINED METALS:- GOLD	M.D.	Fine Ozs.	12,373	6,846	5,540	5,214	5,147	5,440	6,531	5,881	5,775	5,430
BUILDING FITTINGS:												
Stoves-Solid Fuel(c)	G.S.	Number	1,439	759	914	931	1,346	1,323	1,278	1,304	1,283	916
-Gas (c)	G.S.	"	1,987	1,274	1,460	1,343	1,390	1,354	1,380	1,463	1,529	1,124
Coppers - Gas	G.S.	"	..	229	359	709	1,052	991	1,444	952	906	665
Bath Heaters - Solid Fuel	G.S.	"	..	586	523	759	788	832	934	892	814	638
- Gas	G.S.	"	..	556	458	247	784	796	504	807	705	619
Pans Pedestal Earthenware	G.S.	"	..	..	..	2,970	3,156	3,220	3,434	3,818	3,173	1,828
Sinks, Stainless Steel	G.S.	"	..	3,913	4,008	4,176	4,732	5,534	5,265	5,064	5,469	3,572
PEDAL CYCLES (made and/or assembled)	G.S.	"	2,581	3,109	2,635	2,901	3,042	3,298	2,989	2,820	3,590	3,138
ELECTRIC MOTORS (d)												
Under 1 H.P.	G.S.	"	..	(e) 1,226	3,729	4,170	4,901	4,122	5,419	5,428	5,577	4,023
1 HP & under 2½ HP.	G. S.	"	634	985	765	1,263	926	513	661	589
2½ " " " 5 "	G.S.	"	505	802	600	689	443	388	98
5 " " " 10 "	G.S.	"	158	69	112	193	370	349	75
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COTTON SEWING THREAD: (Counts over 12)	G.S.	lb.	42,257	59,464	67,202	64,658	68,580	67,322	51,450
COTTON TWEEDS:	G.S.	100 Sq. Yds.	154,435	59,620	68,863	79,003	70,473	94,907	74,606	79,234	87,246	62,426
WOOL TEXTILES:												
Scoured Wool (f)	G.S.	'000 lb.	3,172	5,864	5,153	4,698	4,761	4,984	3,696	3,830	4,446	3,348
Wool Tops	G.S.	"	936	1,705	1,323	1,166	1,229	1,317	1,115	1,150	1,215	753
Yarn - Woollen	G.S.	"	731	1,268	1,186	1,173	1,166	1,246	1,137	1,234	1,218	828
- Worsted	G.S.	"	612	1,111	1,137	1,092	980	1,127	1,012	1,080	1,180	740
Woven Cloth	G.S.	'000 Sq. Yds	1,415	1,830	1,891	1,749	1,612	1,818	1,665	1,877	1,714	1,298
HOSIERY:-Womens, Maids & Girls												
Full Fashioned & Circular	G.S.	Doz. prs.	..	..	..	81,134	88,892	98,034	92,854	101,566	95,560	76,446
Anklets	G.S.	" "	..	..	..	21,659	21,165	29,284	25,355	32,508	30,493	16,166
Mens & Boys	G.S.	" "	..	..	..	87,976	99,342	118,063	104,489	119,002	110,885	83,608
Childrens	G.S.	" "	..	..	..	32,651	35,627	46,759	39,274	44,559	40,766	29,452
KNITTED UNDERWEAR:												
Men's	G.S.	Doz.	(g) 91,941	27,258	24,064	39,879	37,665	43,609	35,075	40,683	39,972	30,477
Womens	G.S.	"	(h)	67,687	62,523	77,575	76,000	72,823	76,582	83,744	83,026	72,694
Childrens	G.S.	"	(h)	20,926	16,103	25,140	25,304	29,792	27,969	29,108	25,173	22,465
KNITTED OUTERWEAR:												
Cardigans, Jumpers, Sweaters												
etc. Mens & Womens	G.S.	Doz	16,301	18,471	18,487	20,400	24,328	25,330	23,618	28,063	27,289	18,623
Boys & Girls	G.S.	"	4,420	7,604	8,404	6,706	6,858	6,384	7,154	7,534	7,386	7,449
Bathing Suits	G.S.	"	1,944	2,440	1,757	1,839	1,686	3,049	2,959	3,170	2,214	1,038
CLOTHING (except knitted)												
Shirts - Mens & Boys	G.S.	"	22,581	21,285	21,968	23,963	25,347	30,131	26,527	29,924	33,871	24,414
Pyjama Suits-Mens & Boys	G.S.	"	6,097	5,089	6,637	6,380	5,448	6,183	4,821	5,245	5,479	3,457
GLOVES: (not rubber)												
Dress - Leather	G.S.	Doz. prs.	77	2,722	2,605	1,510	1,845	1,850	1,960	1,657	1,683	1,002
- Fabric	G.S.	" "	..	2,790	1,788	2,007	2,273	2,937	2,631	2,778	2,900	1,778
Work	G.S.	" "	1,187	1,510	11,309	1,211	1,172	1,494	1,252	1,329	1,026	855
FOOTWEAR: (not Rubber)												
Boots & Shoes	G.S.	'000 Prs	622	651	610	634	669	734	697	736	733	507
Sandals	G.S.	" "	..	50	65	51	51	69	72	78	83	51
Slippers	G.S.	" "	352	396	379	358	361	385	391	408	398	276
FOOD DRINK AND TOBACCO:												
Flour (from Wheat)	G.S.	Short Tons	36,402	40,651	38,982	36,195	42,206	41,489	41,177	41,573	21,300	24,187
Biscuits	G.S.	'000 lb	1,697	2,540	2,677	2,731	2,730	3,149	3,097	2,981	2,818	2,637
Confectionery-												
-Chocolate Basis	G.S.	" "	1,121	1,709	2,172	2,664	3,087	3,388	2,835	2,714	2,503	1,372
-Other	G.S.	" "	1,589	1,767	1,862	2,114	2,405	2,488	2,169	2,108	2,247	1,468

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FOOD DRINK & TOBACCO(continued)												
Beef & Veal	G.S.	Tons	9,499	8,757	9,835	10,551	10,349	11,934	10,616	10,492	10,208	9,434
Lamb	G.S.	"	4,890	4,740	4,415	5,569	2,376	2,884	4,410	6,911	6,829	7,637
Mutton	G.S.	"	6,454	4,311	5,147	6,708	3,820	3,822	3,848	4,284	4,400	5,328
Pork	G.S.	"	897	595	719	546	485	533	465	591	518	1,105
Bacon & Ham(Cured weight)	G.S.	"	614	930	850	661	526	615	611	601	604	828
Total Meat (in terms of fresh)	G.S.	"	23,688	19,666	21,271	24,273	17,745	20,009	20,170	23,095	22,776	24,630
Butter(Factory only)	G.S.	"	4,718	4,726	5,003	5,292	2,594	4,220	6,457	8,781	8,875	7,331
Cheese (Factory only)	G.S.	"	720	1,347	1,529	1,774	674	1,439	2,602	3,720	3,876	3,353
Processed Milk Products	G.S.	"	..	4,984	5,379	5,708	2,583	4,203	6,280	8,472	9,602	8,012
Ice Cream	G.S.	Galls	88,801	312,100	321,363	234,389	129,601	308,562	359,082	437,744	480,647	718,642
Beer	T&C	'000 Galls	2,621	3,260	3,663	4,155	3,626	4,576	4,305	4,701	4,800	4,745
Bran (from Wheat)	G.S.	Short Tons	7,937	8,812	8,240	6,973	8,097	8,007	8,120	8,196	4,516	5,120
Pollard (from wheat)	G.S.	" "	7,515	9,987	8,222	7,258	8,691	8,554	8,275	8,465	4,770	5,019
Oatmeal and Rolled Oats	G.S.	Cwt.	11,786	30,648	16,241	14,814	14,330	14,940	10,315	9,718	7,530	4,954
Prepared Breakfast Foods (wheat)	G.S.	"	4,053	9,834	10,141	11,684	8,797	11,278	10,594	10,371	11,692	8,937
Edible Starch(Maize and wheat)	G.S.	"	..	6,162	7,514	8,208	8,887	8,710	8,246	9,070	9,218	5,879
Margarine - Table	G.S.	lb.	209,516	175,532	175,417	185,528	117,264	91,392	107,632	94,304	121,744	67,088
- Other	G.S.	"	605,081	732,833	657,954	642,342	646,688	569,744	592,144	487,200	475,888	331,968
Malt - Barley & Wheaten	G.S.	Bushel(40 lb)	202,093	269,026	272,558	287,020	320,964	335,839	319,933	340,289	334,110	277,209
Jams,Conserves & Jellies(i)	G.S.	'000 lb	4,131	8,889	6,314	5,809	2,795	3,066	2,560	3,314	2,534	6,838
Canned Apricots,Peaches & Pears (i)	G.S.	'000 lb	7,901	8,671	7,286	7,790	-	-	-	-	-	665
Green Peas	G.S.	" "	80	374	342	225	-	-	-	-	920	2,340
Other Vegetables (j)	G.S.	" "	333	701	1,371	1,704	1,769	1,897	2,546	2,238	2,607	1,761
Tobacco,Cigars & Cigarettes(k)	T&C	" "	634	832	813	850	902	874	845	922	818	930
PERAMBULATORS(inc.Pushers & Strollers)	G.S.	Number	1,757	4,375	4,110	3,990	4,210	4,659	4,452	4,376	4,282	3,115
MATTRESS: Woven Wire, Link Mess & Spring	G.S.	"	..	4,037	5,467	5,581	7,770	7,669	7,733	8,903	8,885	6,628
Inner Spring	G.S.	"	639	1,984	3,933	4,783	6,901	6,887	6,454	7,160	7,866	5,603
Soft filled & Other	G.S.	"	..	8,055	9,889	10,015	11,090	12,369	12,158	12,877	13,725	10,324
FLOOR COVERINGS: Wool,Felt & Carpets	G.S.	Sq.yds.	..	55,567	74,629	107,006	84,506	150,771	116,696	142,906	133,915	109,529
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NOTES:

- (a) Includes Flakes & Chips
- (b) Included with "Soap - Household"
- (c) Household and commercial cooking stoves to 1947-48, thereafter household cooking stoves only.
- (d) Figures for 1948-49 and 1949-50 include all motors made and incorporated in other products of the manufacturer
- (e) Does not include motors made and incorporated in other products.
- (f) Includes carbonised wool
- (g) Includes women's & childrens'
- (h) Included in Men's
- (i) Includes Tasmanian production
- (j) Excludes all Tomato products
- (k) Victorian factory production to 1948 - 49, thereafter quantities on which excise duty is paid.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

The following is the key to the code of present collecting authorities.

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